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New SH 123 Elevated Water Storage Tank Going into Service *One Million Gallon Tank Will Increase Water Pressure, Serve Growth*

SEGUIN, Texas – Those living and working on the city’s north side will soon benefit from an increase in water pressure thanks to the new SH 123 elevated water storage tank. The process of filling the one million gallon tank started today. The tank is expected to go into service as soon as Wednesday.

“After watching the tank being constructed for the better part of the year, customers in its service area are about to start experiencing the benefits,” Seguin Water/Wastewater Director Emery Gallagher said. “Not only does this new tank mean a nice increase in water pressure, it means there is an adequate water supply for the residential and commercial growth on the city’s north side.”

The elevated water storage tank will primarily serve customers in its immediate vicinity of SH 123, including Oak Village North as well as much of the north side of Interstate 10. Customers should notice an increase of about 10-20 pounds per square inch as soon as today. The one million gallon tank replaces the nearby 150,000 gallon tank that had to refill up to five times daily to keep up with demand. The old tank, built in 1982, will be deconstructed in the near future.

“As is normal any time there is an increase in water pressure, some customers could potentially experience leaky faucets,” Gallagher continued. “This can be corrected by simply adjusting the water faucets at your home or business.”

The tank has been painted white and will remain that way as the city undergoes a branding initiative. Once a new city logo and/or slogan is developed and approved by City Council, it will be painted on the tank. The branding project is anticipated to begin within the next few weeks. The tank will also include an LED lighting system that will allow the structure to be illuminated a variety of colors.

Funding for the project comes from a \$1.18 million grant from the United States Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, \$880,000 from the Seguin Economic Development Corporation and \$963,742 from the City of Seguin.

About the City of Seguin

Seguin, Texas is located along Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational and employment opportunities. Seguin's robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts, an engine manufacture and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2014, Seguin was proud to be selected by Siro Group USA as the future home of the company's North American manufacturing facility.

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